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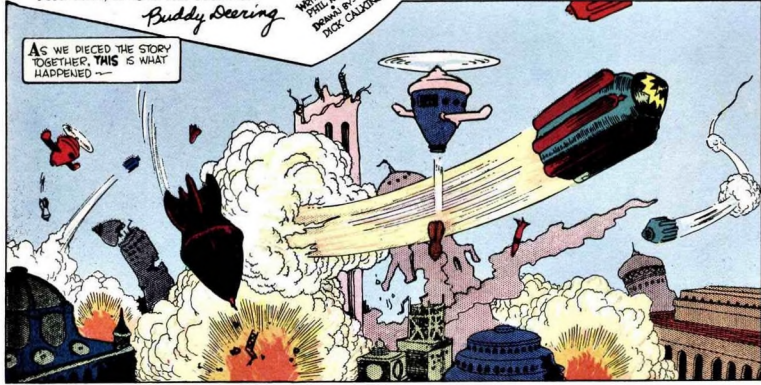
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ACCOMPANIED BY OUR NEW SUBJECTS -WHO WERE EXILES FROM ALPHA CENTAURI, A SOLAR SYSTEM TWENTY-FIVE TRILLION MILES FROM OUR OWN-ALURA AND I HAD RETURNED TO VENUS, THE PLANET OVER WHICH WE RULED, ONLY TO FIND OUR MAGNIFICENT CAPITAL, THE CITY OF BUDDALLURA, IN RUINS AND DESERTED.

Buddy Deering
WRITTEN BY: PHIL WOLFE
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AS WE PIECED THE STORY TOGETHER, THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED -



THE CENTAURIANS -WITH THEIR SUPERSCIENTIFIC MINDS-- PERCEIVED THE EXPLANATION AT ONCE.

ATOMIC BOMBS HAVE DONE THIS! - SEE THE DISINTEGRATION CENTERS.



YES - BUT WHO? - THE VENUSIANS KNOW NO SCIENCE BUT WHAT WE HAVE TAUGHT THEM!

THAT ONLY PROVES MY POINT, ALURA - THE ATTACK WAS FROM SOME OTHER PLANET!

PLAN TO INVADE MERCURY

STRAGGLERS CAME IN - THEY WERE OVERCOME TO SEE US - BUT THEY HAD TERRIBLE TALES TO TELL.

WHAT HAPPENED?

YES - WHAT!



IT WAS SIMPLY TERRIBLE!

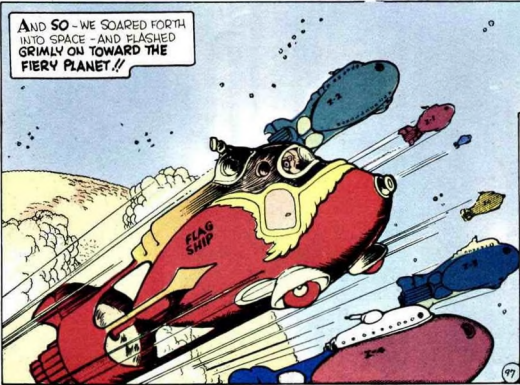
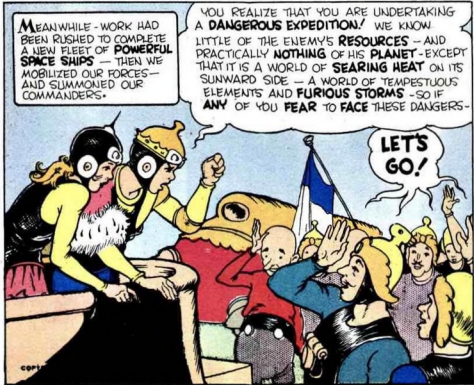
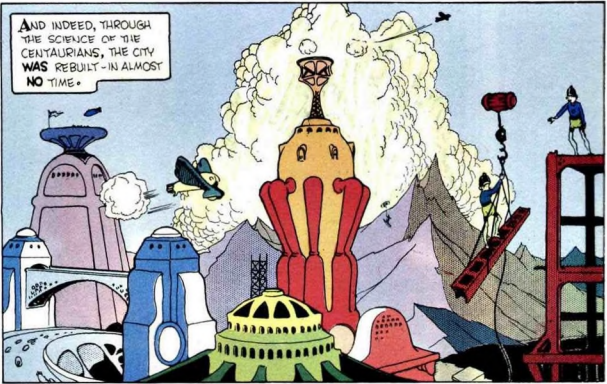
AND WITHOUT ANY WARNING AT ALL!

IN A HASTILY REPAIRED SECTION OF THE PALACE, ALURA AND I HELD A COUNCIL OF WAR.

IT WAS THE MERCURIANS, ALL RIGHT! I TELL YOU, ALURA, WE WON'T HAVE ANY PEACE UNTIL WE SEND AN EXPEDITION TO MERCURY AND HAVE IT OUT WITH THEM.

BUT BUDDY - WE'VE GOT TO REBUILD THE CITY FIRST - AND BUILD SPACE SHIPS TOO!!







FOLLOWING A DEVASTATING ATTACK BY MERCURIANS IN WHICH THEY HAD WRECKED FRIGHTFUL HAVOC AND DESTROYED BUDDALURA — THE CITY FROM WHICH ALLURA AND I RULED THE PLANET VENUS — WE ORGANIZED AN EXPEDITION AGAINST MERCURY. ON WE FLASHED, EDGING EVER SUNWARD AS WE CHASED THE LITTLE PLANET AROUND ITS ORBIT. FOR ITS YEAR IS ONLY ONE-FOURTH THAT OF EARTH AND VENUS.

Buddy Steering

LAND ON STORMY PLANET

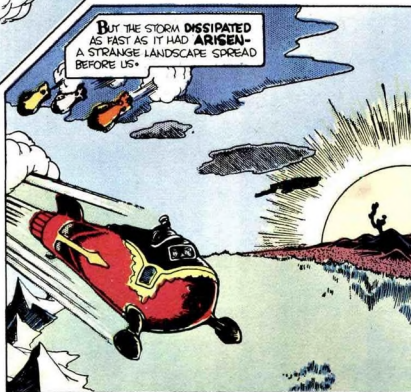
INSIDE OUR TINY FLAGSHIP —

NOW WE'RE CLOSER, BUDDY — BUT WHERE ARE ITS POLES?

THEY'RE ONLY "TECHNICAL," I GUESS — IT ONLY TURNS ON ITS AXIS ONCE IN ITS YEAR — THE SAME HEMISPHERE IS ALWAYS TOWARD THE SUN! — THE INWARD HALF IS ALWAYS BLAZING HOT AND THE OUTWARD HALF FROZEN — DIVIDING THEM IS A TWILIGHT ZONE THAT CROSSES BOTH POLES!



BUT THE STORM DISSIPATED AS FAST AS IT HAD ARISEN — A STRANGE LANDSCAPE SPREAD BEFORE US.



BUT JUST AS WE FLASHED DOWN INTO ITS ATMOSPHERE — SEEMINGLY FROM NOWHERE A TERRIBLE STORM BURST UPON US!



OUR FLEET LANDED SOFTLY IN VEGETATION LIKE GIGANTIC WHEAT.





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ALLURA AND I, WITH A COMPOSITE FORCE OF VENUSIANS, HAD INVADIED THE PLANET MERCURY TO PUNISH ITS INHABITANTS FOR A DESTRUCTIVE RAID THEY HAD MADE ON OUR CAPITAL - WITH OUR FLEET SAFELY CONCEALED AND INTRENCHED, WE HAD GONE FORTH TO SCOUT - AT ONE SPOT IN THE GREAT TWILIGHT ZONE THAT SEPARATED THE ETERNALLY BLAZING FROM THE ETERNALLY FRIGID HALVES OF THIS STRANGE WORLD, WE HEARD SOUNDS BENEATH THE GROUND -

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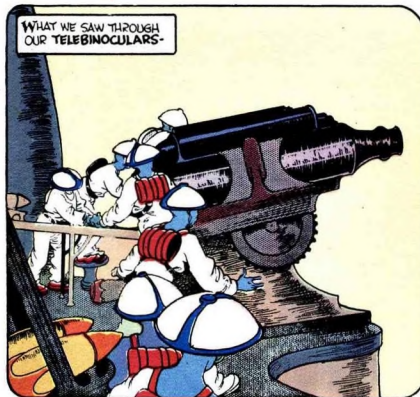
WHICH MERCURIANS?

ALLURA GOT THE TELEBINOCULARS FROM THE SHIP - AND POCKETED LOW AND FAST, FOLLOWING THE LINE OF SOUND.

WE'VE COME AWAY ALREADY, BUDDY - PHONE! - IT'S HOT!!

YES - SEE! - THE GIANT WHEAT IS GETTING DARCHED LOOKING - WE MUST BE NEAR THE EDGE OF THE BLAZING DESERT!!





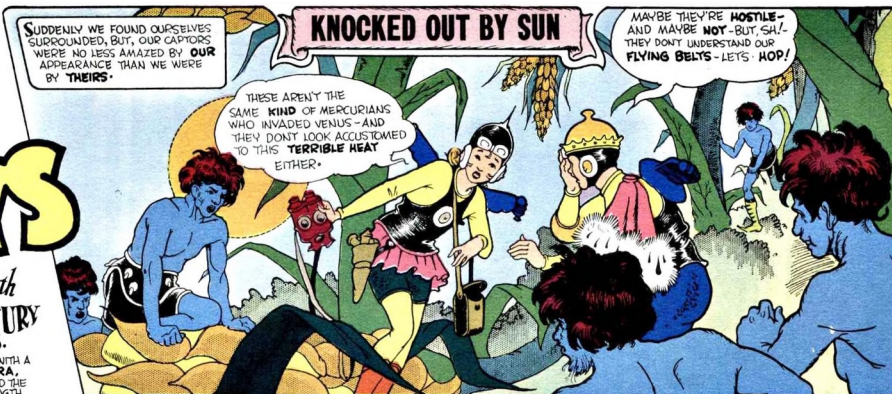
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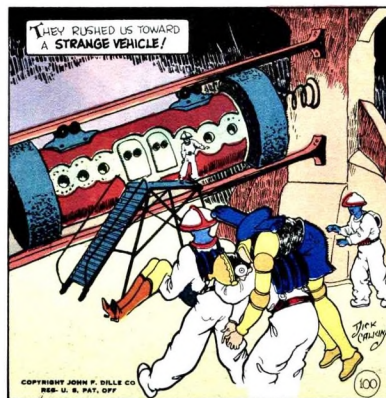
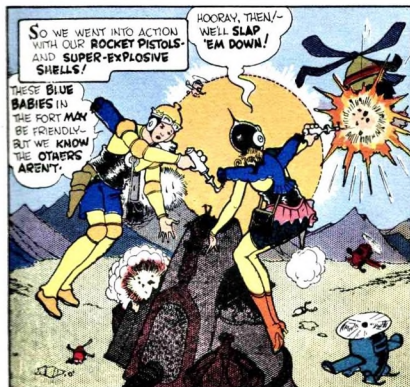
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IT WAS IN 2432 A.D. THAT I - BUDDY DEERING - A.D.
OF EARTH - BEGAN MY INTERPLANETARY ADVENTURES WITH A
TRIP TO MARS, WHERE I FOUND A KINDRED SPIRIT IN AURA,
A PRINCESS OF THE RED PLANET. TOGETHER WE EXPLORED THE
UNIVERSE AND HAD MANY AMAZING ADVENTURES - AT LENGTH
WE BECAME SUPREME MONARCHS OF THE PLANET VENUS, WHERE
MEN RODE THE AIR ON GIANT EAGLES AND FLYING DRAGONS --
ONCE WHEN A RAIDING EXPEDITION OF MERCURIANS HAD
DEVASTATED OUR CAPITAL ON VENUS, WE RETALIATED WITH AN
INVASION OF MERCURY. THAT STRANGE PLANET THAT KEEPS ONE
FACE EVER TURNED TO THE SUN, AND HAS TWO HEMISPHERES, ONE
OF GLAZING HEAT AND THE OTHER OF BITTER COLD, WITH ONLY A
PERPETUAL TWILIGHT ZONE BETWEEN IN WHICH VEGETATION GROWS --
LEAVING OUR FORTIFIED BASE, AURA AND I WENT SCOUTING ALONE,
BUT WERE TRAILED BY MERCURIANS.

Buddy Deering





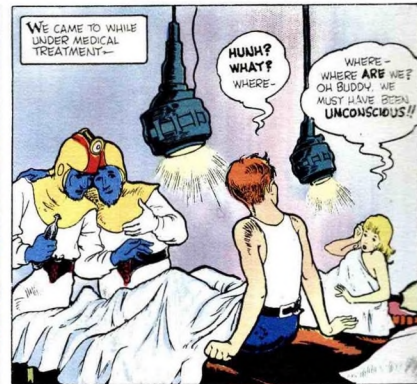
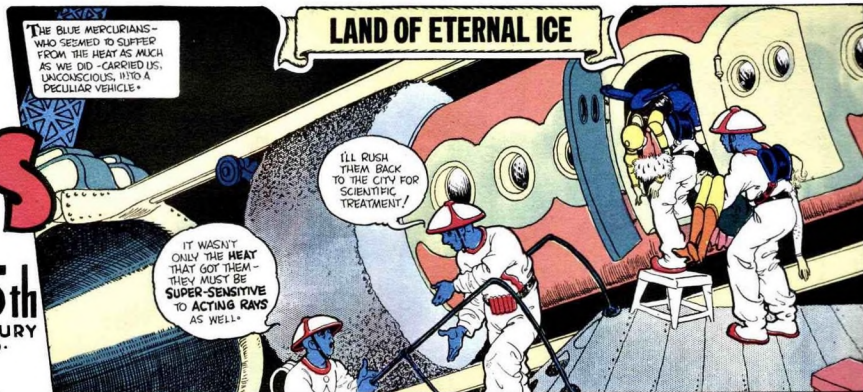
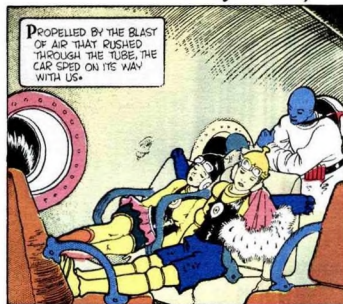
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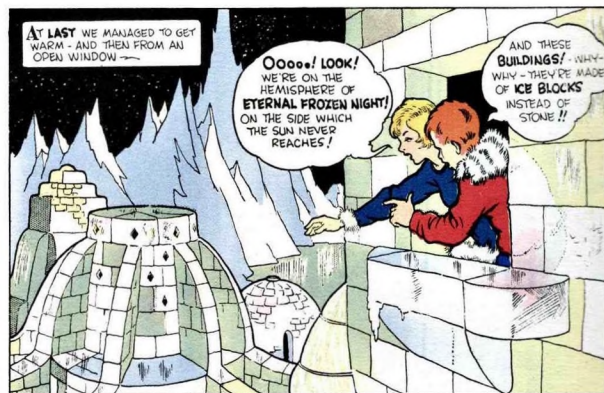
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ALLURA AND I INVADDED THE PLANET MERCURY IN RETALIATION FOR A RAID MERCURIANS HAD MADE ON OUR OWN PLANET, VENUS—LEAVING OUR FORCES INTRENCHED, WE WENT FORTH ALONE TO SCOUT—WE CAME UPON A BATTLE BETWEEN TWO KINDS OF MERCURIANS, AND TOOK SIDES WITH THOSE WHO EVIDENTLY HAD NOT BEEN GUILTY OF THE RAID—BUT WE WERE COMPLETELY KNOCKED OUT BY THE BLAZING HEAT OF THE ETERNALLY SUNWARD HEMISPHERE OF THIS STRANGE PLANET, AND BARELY MANAGED TO GET BACK TO THE TWILIGHT ZONE.

Buddley Seering





THIS BLUE MERCURIAN PICTURED IN THIS STAMP LIVES ON THE SUNWARD HALF OF MERCURY - HE MUST WEAR AN ASBESTOS SUIT AND HELMET AS A PROTECTION FROM THE BLISTERING RAYS OF THE SUN'S HEAT.

SEND FOR YOUR MYSTERY COLOR PUZZLE! ???

JUST WHAT WILL APPEAR BEFORE YOUR EYES AS YOU COLOR THIS PUZZLE PICTURE - IS A DEEP SECRET. MAYBE BUDDY AND ALURA WILL BE FIGHTING A GIANT BEAST - MAYBE ALMOST ANYTHING! SEND FOR YOUR PUZZLE AND GET A GREAT SURPRISE - WRITE TO BUDDY AND ALURA IN CARE OF THIS PAPER, ENCLOSING STAMPED SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE FOR REPLY.

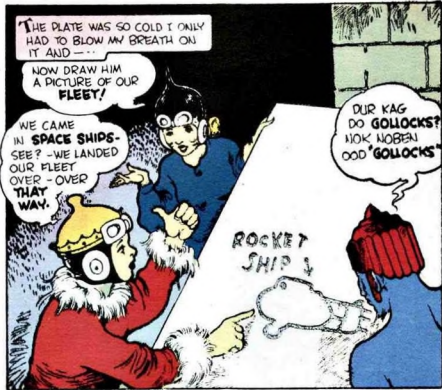
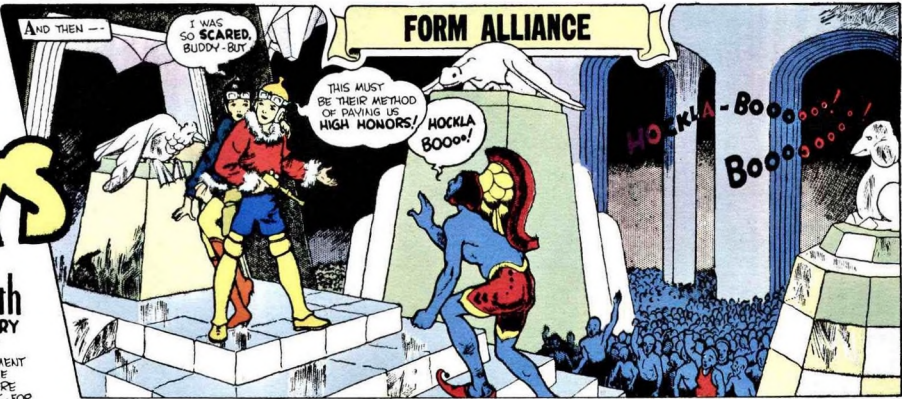
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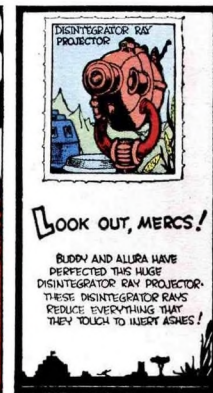
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ALLORA AND I, HAVING LEFT OUR FORTIFIED ENCAMPMENT ON THE PLANET MERCURY, HAD TAKEN SIDES WITH THE MERCURIANS OF THE ETERNALLY FROZEN HEMISPHERE AGAINST THE NATION OF THE EVER BLAZING DESERT - FOR THIS STRANGE WORLD, LIKE THE MOON OF EARTH, ALWAYS KEEPS THE SAME SIDE TURNED TO THE SUN - AND HAD BEEN RESCUED BY THEM FROM THE TERRIBLE ACTINIC RAYS OF THE SUNWARD HEMISPHERE - IN THEIR CITY, BUILT OF ICE BLOCKS, WE SUDDENLY FACED A SHOUTING CHEERING ASSEMBLAGE OF BLUE MEN.

Buddy Deering





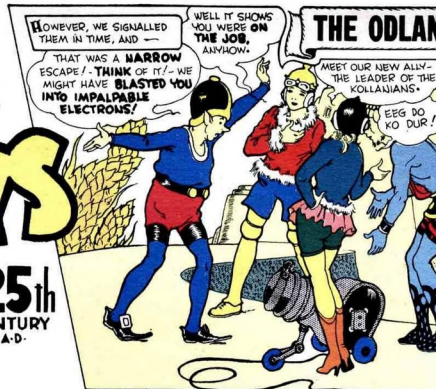
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THE MERCURIANS OF THE ETERNALLY FROZEN HEMISPHERE - WHICH THEY CALLED "KOLLAN" - WERE FRIENDLY TO US - IT WAS THE INHABITANTS OF THE EVER-BLIZING DESERT - KNOWN AS "ODLANN" - WHO HAD MADE THE RAID ON THE PLANET VENUS AND DESTROYED OUR CAPITAL - BUT WHEN ALURA AND I RETURNED TO OUR FORTIFIED ENCAMPMENT WITH THE KOLLANIAN LEADER WE WERE NEARLY DISINTEGRATED! - FOR WE HAD BEEN MISTAKEN FOR THE ENEMY.

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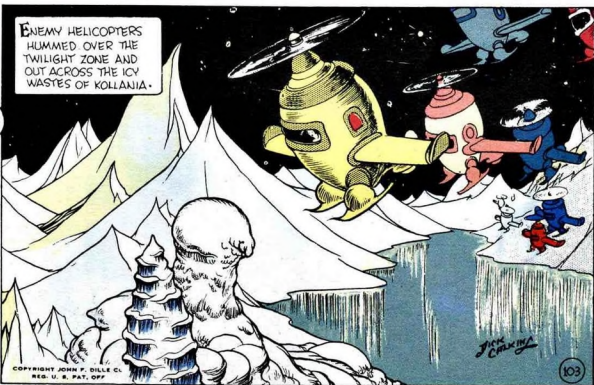
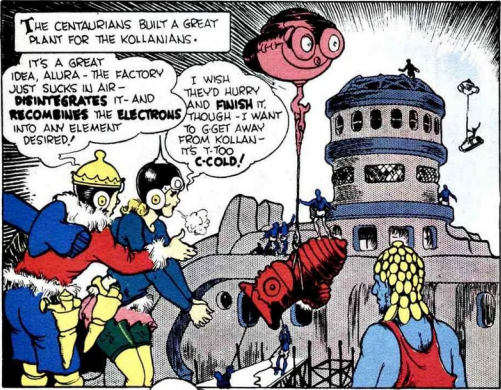
THE ODLANNIAN ATTACK

THE MERCURIANS MARVELLED AT THE SCIENCE OF THE ALPHA CENTAURIANS.

AND THIS LITTLE FLASHING TUBE CONTROLS THE WHOLE PROCESS?

YES - AND WITH THE SUBCONSCIOUS PSYCHOVIBRATORY RECORD IN YOUR MIND, YOU CAN NOW SPEAK OUR LANGUAGE AS WELL AS WE CAN!





THE LATEST - IN AIRSHIPS IS PICTURED IN THIS STAMP. BUDDY AND ALURA ARE BUILDING A FLEET OF THEM FOR THEIR ALLIES THE KOLLANIANS.

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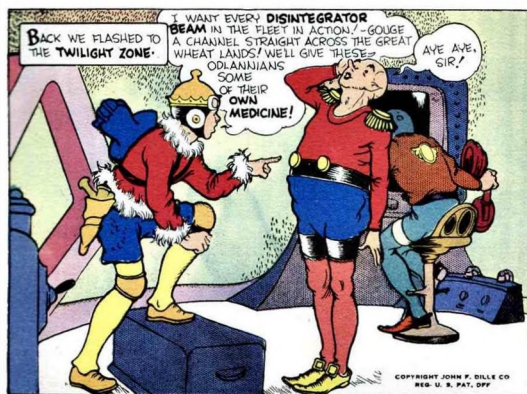
WHEN ALURA AND I INVADDED THE PLANET MERCURY WE FOUND IT A STRANGE WORLD INDEED - ONE HEMISPHERE, TURNED EVER TO THE SUN, BLAZED ETERNALLY WITH TERRIFIC HEAT - THE OTHER, EVER AWAY FROM IT, WAS A LAND OF ETERNAL DARKNESS AND FRIGHTFUL COLD - BETWEEN THEM WAS A ZONE OF PERPETUAL TWILIGHT, WITH THE SUN ALWAYS MOTIONLESS AND FLAMING ON THE HORIZON - THE KOLLANIAN, INHABITANTS OF THE FROZEN LANDS, WERE FRIENDLY - THE ODLANNIANS OF THE BLAZING DESERT WERE WARDING WITH THEM AND WITH US.

Buddy Steering



ODLANNIAN AIR RAID





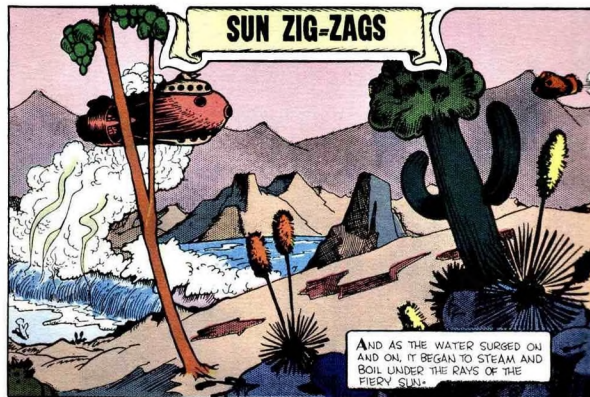
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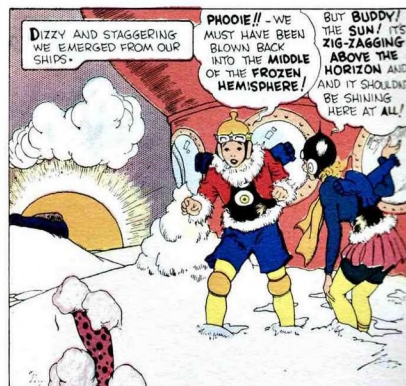
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A LURA, A YOUNG PRINCESS OF MARS - AND T. BUDDY DEERING OF EARTH, BROTHER OF WILLIAM AND FRIEND OF BUCK ROGERS - PLUNGED INTO A SERIES OF AMAZING ADVENTURES AND DANGERS WHEN WE BEGAN OUR INTERPLANETARY EXPLORATIONS AND BECAME SUPREME MONARCHS OF THE PLANET VENUS - ON MERCURY, WHICH KEEPS THE SAME FACE EVER TOWARD THE SUN. WE TOOK PART IN A TITANIC STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE KOLLANNIANS, INHABITANTS OF THE ETERNALLY FROZEN HEMISPHERE, AND THE ODLANNIANS, PEOPLE OF THE BLAZING DESERT WHERE THE FIERY SUN NEVER SETS. WE MADE AN ALLIANCE WITH THE KOLLANNIANS - WITH THE DISINTEGRATOR RAYS OF OUR SPACE SHIPS, WE DUG A DEEP CHANNEL ACROSS THE TWILIGHT ZONE, AND LOOSED A GIGANTIC FLOOD WHICH SPREAD OVER THE DESERT HEMISPHERE OF THE ENEMY.

Buddy Deering





THE NEW-MOON OF MERCURY

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STARTLING AND TITANIC EVENTS FOLLOWED OUR COUNTER-ATTACK ON THE OODLIANS, IN WHICH WE LOOSED A GREAT FLOOD OF MELTED ICE FROM THE FROZEN HEMISPHERE OF MERCURY INTO THE BLAZING DESERT-THE WATERS, INSTEAD OF SPREADING OVER THE STRONGHOLD OF THE ENEMY, SANK INTO THE THIRSTY SAND, FOUND THEIR WAY THROUGH FISSURES TO SUBTERRANEAN DEPTHS AND TURNED TO STEAM. THE PLANET WAS ROCKED BY A MIGHTY EXPLOSION - STORMS SARRIEKED AND HOWLED OVER ITS SURFACE - THE SUN ZIG-ZAGGED CRAZILY IN THE SKY SHINING AT TIMES ON THE FROZEN HEMISPHERE - OUR ALLIES THE KOLLANIANS, FLED IN PANIC FROM THEIR MELTING CITIES OF ICE.

THEIR HEAD MAN
ACCUSED US.

SEE! SEE WHAT
YOU'VE DONE! - WE
CAN'T STAND
TEMPERATURES
ABOVE FREEZING
FOR LONG!

WELL, IT WAS
YOUR PLAN AS
MUCH AS OURS!
AND DIDN'T WE

SHUSH - AIIURA! NO USE
ARGUING! - WE'VE JUST GOT
TO FLY OVER TO THE OTHER
HEMISPHERE AND SEE
WHAT DID HAPPEN!



SO WE SET FORTH - WITH
OUR FLYING BELTS,
AND HEAT-INSULATED SUITS
AND HELMETS SUPPLIED
BY THE KOLLANIANS.

SOMETHING
TERRIBLE
MUST HAVE
HAPPENED BUDD!
THIS PLANET IS
JUST WOBBLING
ON ITS
AXIS!

WE'LL HEAD
FOR THE
RIGHT FOR THE
CENTER OF THE
SUN AND
HEMISPHERE
AND OUT!!



THE SNOW TURNED TO HOT RAIN.

I DON'T SEE
HOW WE'RE GOING
TO DISCOVER ANYTHING -
WE CAN'T SEE A
THING!

THEY SAID THE SUN
HAS NEVER BEFORE
BEEN OBSCURED OVER
THE BLAZING DESERT -
WE'VE PASSED THE
TWILIGHT ZONE,
I'M SURE!



BUT FINALLY THE SUN FLAMED
THROUGH A RIFT IN THE STORM
CLOUDS, AND WE LANDED.

GOOD NIGHT,
BUDDY! - IT LOOKS
AS IF WE WERE
ON A MOUNTAIN
TOP - MILES
HIGH!!

BUT WE'RE NOT! -
THE GROUND IS
LEVEL BEHIND US!
WE'RE LOOKING INTO
AN IMMENSE HOLE
IN THE PLANET!



WE FLEW DOWN -
BELOW THE CLOUDS.

THIS IS AMAZING!
THERE'S NO
END TO THE
DEPTH OR
WIDTH
OF IT!

AS IF
A VAST
SECTION OF THE
PLANET HAD
BEEN TORN
RIGHT OUT!



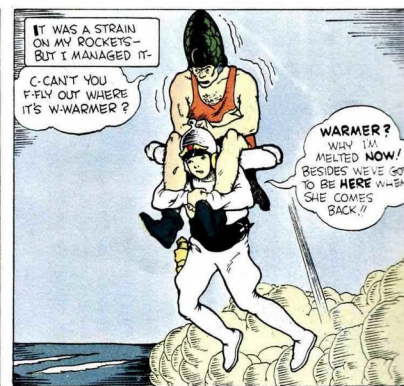


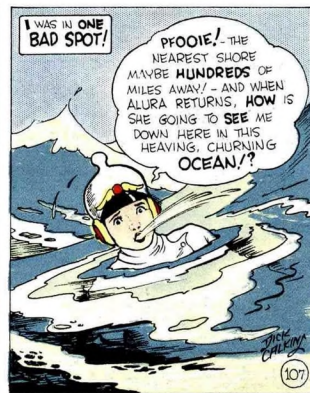
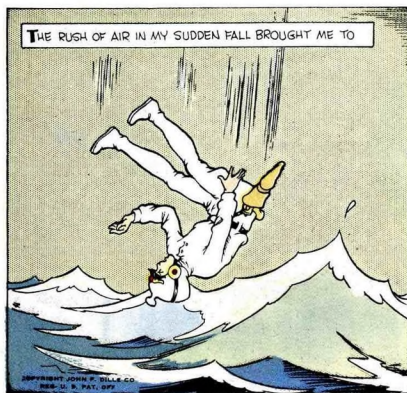
THIS IS THE FIRST STAND OF ALURA AND BUDDY TOGETHER AND TOGETHER WE HOPE THEY WILL ALWAYS BE SHARING THEIR TRIALS AND TROUBLES - AND HAPPINESS - THEY'RE PALS!!

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ALURA AND I, WHO HAD TAKEN SIDES WITH THE COLD MERCURIANS OF THE PLANET MERCURY, HAD LOOSED A FLOOD INTO THE BLAZING DESERT OF THE ENEMY—THE RESULT WAS A CATAclysm! THE WATER SOAKED INTO THE DEEP FISSURES OF THE BLAZING DESERT, AND TURNING TO STEAM, BLEW A WHOLE SECTION OF THE PLANET LOOSE TO FORM A NEW MOON—UNBALANCED BY THE EXPLOSION, THE PLANET WOBBLER IN ITS ORBIT AND BEGAN TO REVOLVE—AND NOW, WITH AN ODLANNUAN PRISONER, THE SOLE SURVIVOR OF THE DESERT INHABITANTS, WE WERE CAUGHT BY THE TITANIC FLOOD THAT RUSHED INTO THE GAPING HOLE IN THE PLANET.

Buddy steering **LOST IN NEW OCEAN**





WHERE IS THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY - WHICH IS THE RESULT OF THE STEAM EXPLOSION IN THE DESERT. IT IS A PART OF THE SURFACE OF THE PLANET MERCURY THAT WAS BLOWN OUT INTO SPACE - BUDDY AND ALURA WILL DAY IT AN EXCITING VISIT NEXT WEEK.

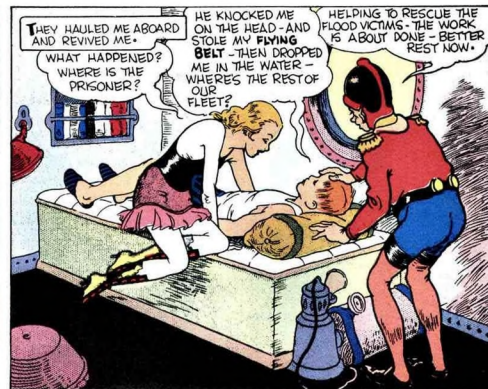


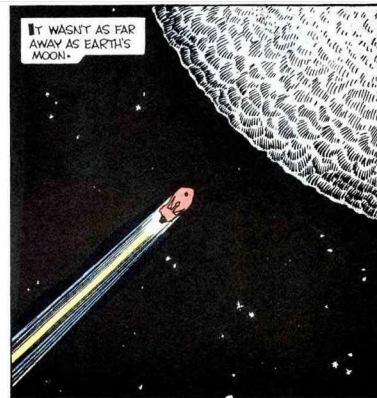
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WHEN THE INHABITANTS OF THE EVER BLAZING DESERT OF THE PLANET MERCURY MELTED THE ICE MOUNTAINS OF THE ETERNALLY FROZEN HEMISPHERE, AND WE IN OUR TURN LOOKED UPON THEM THIS FLOOD OF THEIR OWN MAKING, A CATACLYSM HAD RESULTED — WATER SOAKING DEEP INTO THE SAND AND FISSURES THAT HAD BEEN DRY FOR UNTOLD AGES, TURNED TO STEAM, AND BLEW OFF A WHOLE SECTION OF THE PLANET TO FORM A MOON — AND HERE WAS I, ROBBED OF MY FLYING BELT, IN THE MIST OF THE TURBULENT, SEETHING SEA THAT NOW FILLED THE GREAT HOLE FROM WHICH THE MOON HAD SPLIT OFF.

LAND ON NEW MOON





THE ENEMY AND THEIR DEADLY AIRCRAFT WERE BLOWN RIGHT OFF INTO SPACE WITH THE NEW MOON THAT WAS FORMED AS A RESULT OF THAT MIGHTY EXPLOSION IN THE FIERY DESERT REGION OF MERCURY. ONE OF THE AIRSHIPS IS SHOWN IN THE STAMP ABOVE.

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IN THE GREAT UPRHEAVAL WHICH SHOOK THE PLANET MERCURY TO ITS CORE, A VAST SECTION OF THE GLOBE HAD BEEN THROWN OFF TO FORM A NEW MOON - AND MOST OF THE BRAZING DESERT ON THE SUNWARD SIDE OF THE PLANET WAS NOW FILLED WITH A TURBULENT, MUDDY OCEAN. BUT WHEN THAT UPRHEAVAL HAD OCCURRED MANY OF THE ODLANNIANS, INHABITANTS OF THE HOT SIDE OF MERCURY, MUST HAVE BEEN ALOFT IN THEIR PECULIAR AIRCRAFT, AND WERE WHIRLED ALONG WITH THE NEW MOON IN THE ATMOSPHERE THAT FOLLOWED WHEN IT BURST AWAY FROM THE PLANET - NOT KNOWING THIS, WE WERE TAKEN BY SURPRISE AS THEY ATTACKED US WHEN WE VISITED THE NEW SATELLITE.

Buddy During **MAROONED ON NEW MOON**





TRIANGLE STAMP OF BUDDY, THE VERY LATEST, THIS RARE STAMP IS WORTH THREE BUCK ROGERS STAMPS IN TRADING VALUE FOR OTHER "BUCK" STAMPS. BE SURE TO SAVE THIS ONE BECAUSE IT WILL BE THE ONLY ONE OF ITS KIND PRINTED. NEXT WEEK ALURA WILL BE PRESENTED IN A CIRCLE STAMP WHICH WILL ALSO BE VALUABLE.

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I, BUDDY BEEPING, BROTHER OF NILMA AND FRIEND OF BUCK ROGERS, MADE A TRIP TO MARS - THERE I MET AURA - TOGETHER WE VISITED THE PLANET VENUS, WHERE WE HAD MANY AMAZING ADVENTURES, AND OF WHICH WE BECAME SUPREME MONARCHS - NEXT WE WENT TO MERCURY, WHERE WE TOOK PART IN A WAR BETWEEN THE ETERNALLY BLAZING HEMISPHERE AND THE EVER-FROZEN HALF OF THAT STRANGE PLANET WHICH ALWAYS KEPT THE SAME SIDE TURNED TO THE SUN - IN A GREAT CATASTROPHISM A WHOLE SECTION OF THE PLANET WAS THROWN OFF TO FORM A NEW MOON - WE VISITED THIS MOON IN OUR SPACE SHIP, BUT ONLY TO FIND THE ENEMY THERE AHEAD OF US - OUR SHIP WAS DESTROYED, AND WITH KABBA, CHIEF OF THE ALPHA CENTAURIANS AND HEAD OF OUR OWN SCIENCE DIVISION, WE WERE STRANDED.

Buddy Beeping





CIRCLE STAMP OF ALURA WORTH THREE BUCK ROGERS STAMPS IN EXCHANGE FOR ALL OTHER "BUCK" STAMPS THAT HAVE APPEARED HERE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TRIANGLE STAMP OF BUDDY WHICH WAS PRESENTED LAST WEEK.

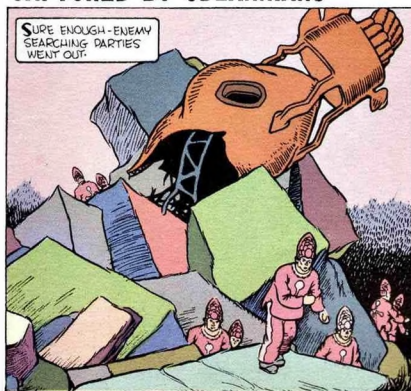
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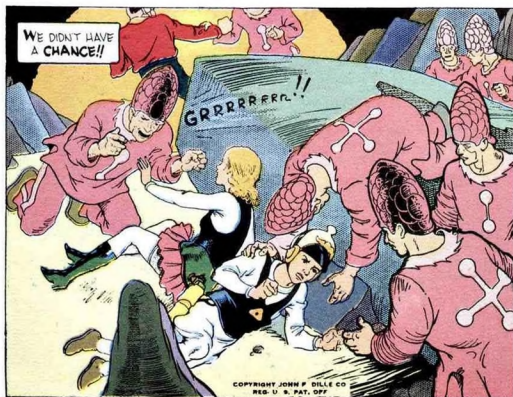
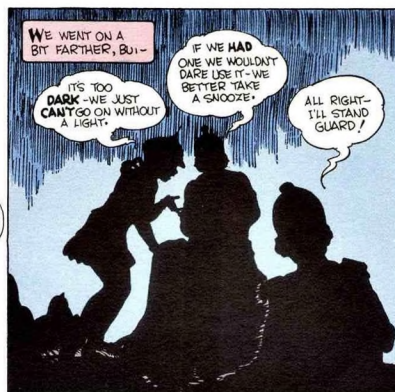
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WRITTEN BY THE HOWARD • DRAWN BY DICK CARMICHAEL

WE WERE STRANDED ON THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY, A LITTLE WORLD SO RECENTLY FORMED THAT THERE WERE ON IT NO VEGETATION NOR ANIMALS FOR FOOD - OUR SPACE SHIP WAS WRECKED, A TOTAL LOSS - AND THOUGH KABBA, THE CENTAURIAN HAD BUILT US A FOOD RAY PROJECTOR FROM WHICH WE COULD ABSORB SUSTENANCE, WE HAD TO ABANDON IT WHEN AN ODLANNIAN AIR SHIP APPROACHED - FROM OUR HIDING PLACE WE WATCHED THE ENEMY WHO CAME FROM THE HIGHLY HEATED HEMISPHERE OF MERCURY.

CAPTURED BY ODLANNIANS



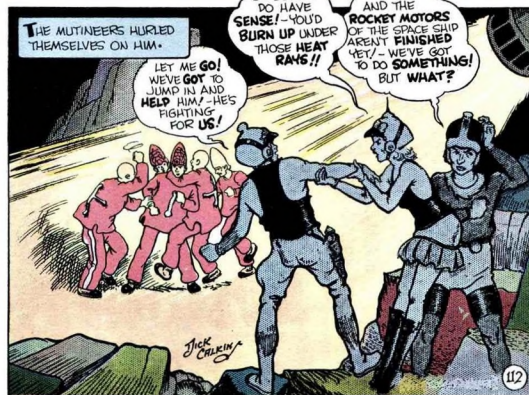


THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF A GIANT STAMP IS PICTURED ABOVE. OTHER SECTIONS WILL APPEAR HERE UNTIL THE WHOLE STAMP IS COMPLETE. BE SURE TO SAVE A LARGE SPACE IN YOUR STAMP ALBUM! SIMPLY SAVE EACH SECTION AS IT APPEARS THEN PASTE THEM ALL TOGETHER. IT WILL BE LOTS OF FUN!— AND A SURPRISE AWAITS YOU WHEN IT IS COMPLETED!

25th CENTURY A.D.★ **BUCK**★ **ROGERS** ★

THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY WAS SO YOUNG THAT IT HAD NEITHER ANIMAL NOR VEGETABLE LIFE ON IT - THAT MEANT NO FOOD - BUT KABBA, THE ALPHA CENTAURIAN, AND OUR CHIEF SCIENTIST, HAD BUILT A FOOD RAY PROJECTOR FROM APPARATUS IN OUR WRECKED SPACE SHIP - A NUMBER OF OLANNIANS ALSO HAD BEEN MARoonED ON THE NEW MOON, AND WERE SUFFERING FROM LACK OF THE TERRIFIC HEAT TO WHICH THEY WERE ACCUSTOMED ON THE ETERNALLY HOT SIDE OF MERCURY - THEY PLEADED WITH US TO PROVIDE THEM WITH HEAT.

IDLENESS BREEDS EVIL



HERE'S THE SECOND INSTALLMENT OF THE GIANT STAMP WHICH WAS STARTED LAST WEEK. A SECTION OF THIS HUGE STAMP IS BEING PRESENTED EACH WEEK UNTIL THE STAMP IS COMPLETED. CLIP EACH SECTION AS IT APPEARS HERE - THEN WHEN COMPLETE, PASTE IN YOUR STAMP ALBUM. A SURPRISE AWAITS YOU!

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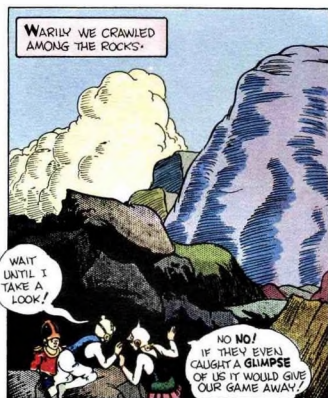
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WITH NO ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE LIFE ON THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY TO SERVE AS FOOD, WE HAD SAVED THE ODLANNIANS FROM STARVATION BY PERMITTING THEM TO USE OUR FOOD-RAY GENERATOR - MORE THAN THIS, WE HAD BUILT AN ELECTRO-GRAY DYNAMO TO OPERATE A HEAT RAY AND SUPPLY THEM WITH THE GREAT HEAT THEY NEEDED - BUT SUCH WAS THEIR INGRATITUDE THAT THEY PROPOSED TO ENSLAVE US - ONLY THEIR LEADER STOOD OUT AGAINST THEM.

Buddy Deering

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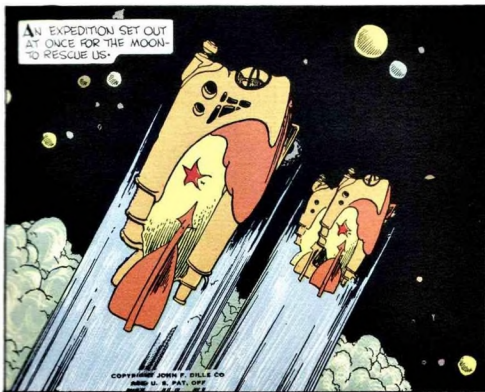
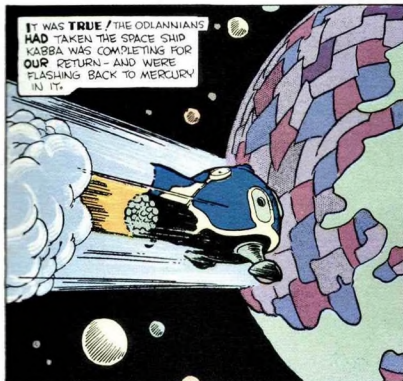
WHITNEY THUNDERMAN DRAWN BY DICK CARKINS

WHEN ALURA AND I, WITH KABBA, VISITED THE RECENTLY-FORMED MOON OF MERCURY, WE FOUND THERE A PARTY OF ODLANNIANS, MEN FROM THE BLAZING DESERTS OF THE SUNWARD HEMISPHERE OF MERCURY - WE BUILT THEM A HEAT RAY, FOR THE TEMPERATURE OF THE MOON WAS FAR TOO LOW FOR THEM - BUT THEIR INGRATITUDE WAS SUCH THAT THEY HAD DISAPPEARED WITH IT - THEY ALSO HAD STOLEN OUR FOOD RAY, WITHOUT WHICH WE FACED STARVATION, SINCE THERE WAS NO VEGETATION AND NO ANIMAL LIFE ON THE NEW MOON.

Buddy Deering

FACE STARVATION





HERE IT IS, THE FOURTH AND LAST SECTION OF YOUR GIANT STAMP. NOW THAT YOU HAVE COLLECTED ALL THE PIECES AS THEY APPEARED FROM WEEK TO WEEK, FIT THEM TOGETHER AND PASTE IN YOUR STAMP ALBUM. WEREN'T YOU SURPRISED? WATCH THIS CORNER NEXT WEEK.

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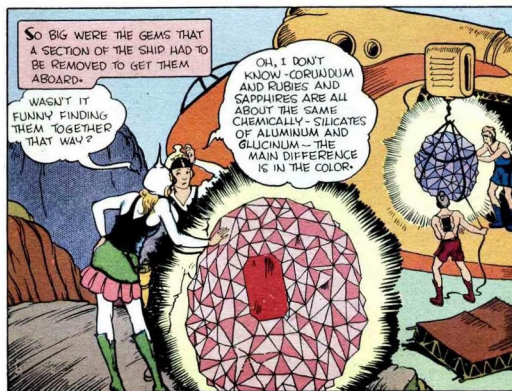
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WRITTEN BY THE NOWMAN • DRAWN BY DICK CARKIN •

WHEN I, BUDDY DEERING, BROTHER OF WILMA AND FRIEND OF BUCK ROGERS, MADE MY FIRST TRIP TO MARS, I MET A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG MARTIAN PRINCESS NAMED ALLURA - TOGETHER WE PLUNGED INTO AN AMAZING SERIES OF DANGERS AND ADVENTURES WHEN WE BEGAN OUR INTERPLANETARY EXPLORATIONS - ULTIMATELY WE BECAME KINGS AND QUEEN OF THE PLANET VENUS, WHENCE WE LED AN EXPEDITION TO MERCURY - BEFORE OUR VERY EYES A PORTION OF THAT PLANET EXPLODED AND WAS THROWN OFF INTO SPACE TO FORM A NEW MOON - WE LOST OUR SPACE SHIP ON A TRIP TO THAT NEW MOON WITH KABBA, WHO WAS AN ALPHA CENTAURIAN AND OUR CHIEF SCIENTIST - AND SO -

GIANT GEMS





WHAT IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU DO WITH TWO PRECIOUS GEMS OF SUCH ENORMOUS PROPORTIONS? WILL BUDDY AND ALURA EVER REACH MERCURY SAFELY WITH THE GEMS? THAT IS THE QUESTION!



BUCK ROGERS



TREACHERY

WE HAD FACED A TERRIBLE FATE ON THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY. FOR THE LITTLE SATELLITE HAD BEEN SO RECENTLY FORMED THAT IT HAD NOT YET DEVELOPED ANY FORM OF ANIMAL OR VEGETABLE LIFE, AND WE NEARLY STARVED - BUT OUR LOYAL FOLLOWERS ON MERCURY LEARNED OF OUR WHEREABOUTS, AND OUR OWN SPACE FLEET ARRIVED IN TIME TO SAVE US FROM STARVATION. WITH KASBA, THE ALPHA CENTAURIAN, WHO WAS CHIEF OF OUR SCIENTISTS, WE DISCOVERED AN IMMENSE RUBBY AND AN EQUALLY LARGE SAPPHIRE - BUT BEFORE WE COULD LOAD THESE ABOARD ONE OF OUR SPACE SHIPS, A STRANGE FLEET OF INTERPLANETARY CRAFT DRIFTED DOWN, SURROUNDING US.

Buddy Steering

A WHOLE REGIMENT OF WARRIORS FLOATED DOWN FROM THEM.

RESISTANCE IS USELESS!
LOOK BUDDY! THOUSANDS OF THEM!

I WONDER WHO THEY ARE? WHERE THEY'RE FROM?

FROM THE STRANGE FLEET CAME A CHALLENGE.

YOU ARE COMPLETELY SURROUNDED - AGROUND AND ALOFT - MAKE NO RESISTANCE - SEND YOUR LEADERS FORWARD TO TALK WITH US.

WHY THEY'RE TALKING MARTIAN! - MY OWN LANGUAGE!

HOORAY! THEN EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT!

I WISH I COULD UNDERSTAND MARTIAN - I'LL HAVE TO LEARN THAT LANGUAGE!

SO AURA AND I WENT FORWARD TO MEET THE MARTIAN COMMANDER.

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

WHY UNCLE VEDDO!

AURA! MY NIECE! FANCY FINDING YOU HERE!!

AURA WAS DELIGHTED. AND MY FATHER - YOU SAY HE IS WELL? WHAT BROUGHT YOU HERE?

WE WERE ON OUR WAY TO VENUS TO START A COLONY - THEN WE SAW THIS NEW MOON OF MERCURY, AND FLASHED ON TO INVESTIGATE.

WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO VENUS FOR?

WATCH THAT MAN, BUDDY! I DON'T LIKE HIS LOOKS!



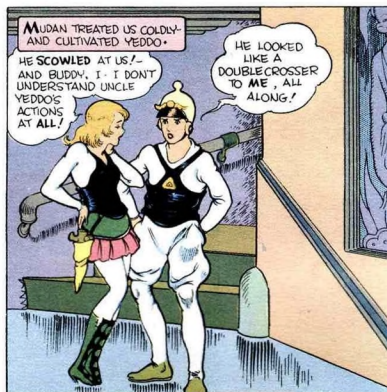
ALURA'S UNCLE YEDDO OF MARS IS A MEAN AND SELFISH PERSON - UNDER THE GUISE OF AN AFFECTIONATE UNCLE, HE IS PLOTTING RUIN TO BUDDY AND ALURA'S KINGDOM - EVEN NOW HIS MEN ARE MAKING AN ATTEMPT TO STEAL THE GIANT GEMS.

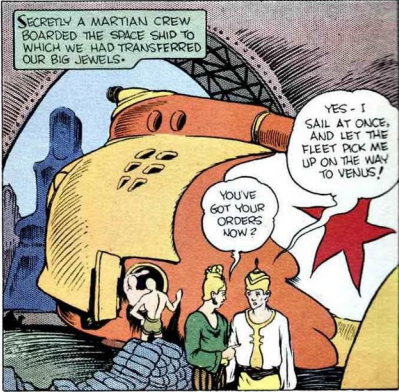
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BUCK ROGERS

WHILE ALURA AND I WERE ON THE NEW MOON OF MERCURY WE DISCOVERED AN IMMENSE RUBY AND A LARGE SAPPHIRE, MARVELOUS STONES FROM WHICH WE DETERMINED TO HAVE THRONES CARVED FOR OURSELVES ON OUR RETURN TO OUR OWN KINGDOM ON THE PLANET VENUS - AND IT WAS WHILE WE WERE THERE ALSO THAT AN INTERPLANETARY EXPEDITION OF MARTIANS LANDED, UNDER THE COMMAND OF YEDDO, ALURA'S OWN UNCLE - SHE WAS DELIGHTED, BUT I DID NOT TRUST HIM - BOTH EXPEDITIONS RETURNED TO MERCURY TOGETHER, WHERE OUR FRIENDS THE KOLLANIANS PLACED A GUARD OF HONOR OVER OUR GREAT JEWELS - BUT AN ATTACK WAS MADE ON THE GUARD, BY MARTIANS DISGUISED AS OUR VENUSIAN FOREST MEN -

GREAT JEWELS STOLEN





MUDAN, LEADER OF THE KOLLANIANS, REALLY ISN'T AS MEAN AS HE LOOKS. HE WAS JUST TOO HASTY IN BLAMING BUDDY AND ALLURA FOR THE RIOTS BETWEEN THE KOLLANIANS AND VENUSIANS.

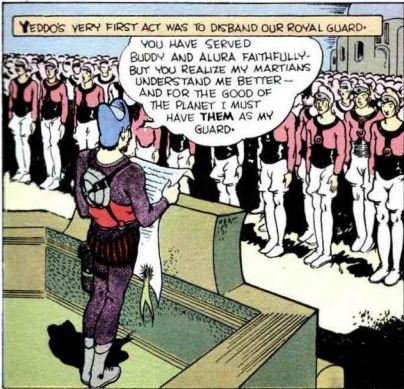


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★BUCK ROGERS★

ALLURA'S UNWORTHY UNCLE, YEDDO OF MARS, THINKING HE HAD HOPELESSLY EMBROILED US WITH THE MERCURIANS, STOLE THE TWO ENORMOUS JEWELS, A RUBY AND A SAPPHIRE, FROM WHICH WE WERE GOING TO HAVE THRONES CARVED THEN WITH HIS SPACE FLEET HE FLASHED FOR VENUS WHERE HE INTENDED TO ESTABLISH A MARTIAN COLONY WITH HIMSELF AS RULER. — WE PURSUED HIM — BUT THOUGH WE OUTSTRIPPED OUR OWN SPACE FLEET, YEDDO'S CRAFT WERE FASTER THAN OURS, AND HE LANDED ON THE PLANET VENUS FAR AHEAD OF US.

USURPER STEALS THRONE





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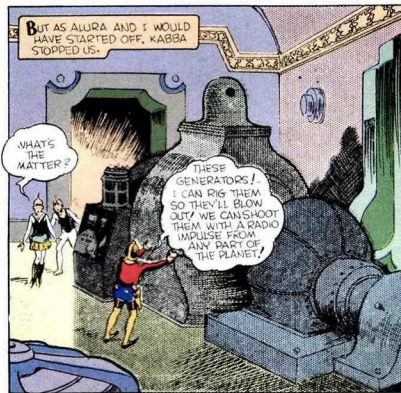
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A LITTLE THEATRE WITH A FULL SET OF BUCK ROGERS CHARACTERS? IT WOULD BE LOTS OF FUN! WELL, BEGINNING NEXT WEEK, A FOLDING PAPER TOY WILL BE PRESENTED IN THIS SPACE - ONE EACH WEEK UNTIL YOU HAVE A FULL SET. THESE PAPER TOYS WILL BE IN FULL COLOR AND WILL STAND UPRIGHT WHEN FOLDED CORRECTLY.

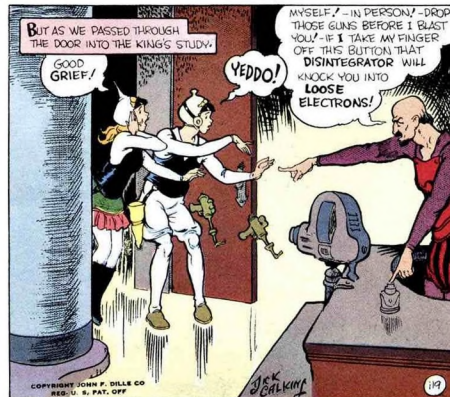
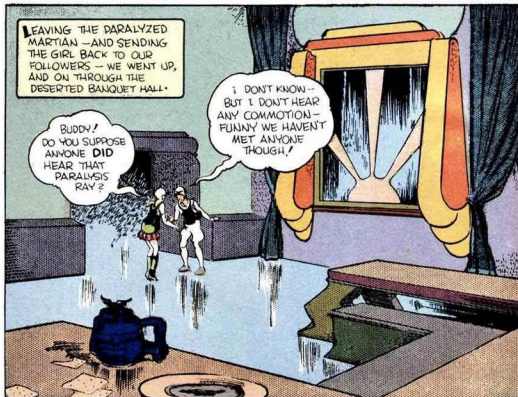
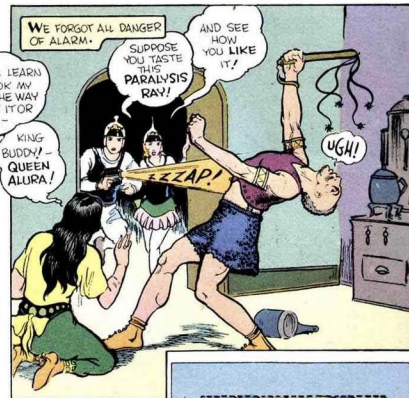
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UEDDO OF MARS, ALURA'S UNWORTHY UNCLE, HAD SEIZED CONTROL OF THE ENTIRE PLANET OF VENUS, OF WHICH WE WERE THE RIGHTFUL RULERS - WITH HIS MARTIAN WARRIORS. HE WAS FIRMLY ENTRENCHED WITHIN OUR PALACE. WE BORED A TUNNEL UNDER A MOUNTAIN RANGE AND INTO THE LOWEST LEVEL OF THE PALACE FOUNDATIONS WITH A DISINTEGRATOR - RAY - AND THEN -

TRAPPED!





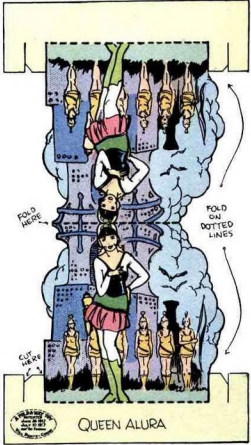
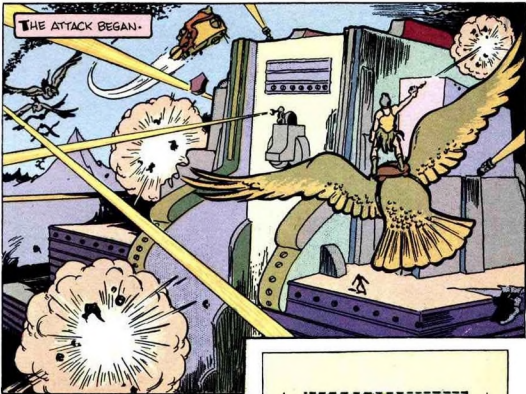
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I - BUDDY DEERING, BROTHER OF WILMA AND FRIEND OF BUCK ROGERS - WAS ONE OF THE FIRST INHABITANTS OF EARTH TO MAKE AN INTERPLANETARY VOYAGE ON MARS. I MET ALLURA, A PRINCESS OF THAT PLANET, AND TOGETHER WE CONQUERED STUPENDOUS AND AMAZING DANGERS IN OUR EXPLORATIONS OF THE UNIVERSE. FINALLY WE BECAME KING AND QUEEN OF THE PLANET VENUS. BUT ON OUR RETURN FROM AN EXPLORATION OF THE PLANET MERCURY, WE FOUND THAT YEDDO, A NICKED UNCLE OF ALLURA AND MARTIAN PRINCE, HAD EXPLODED, HAD DISRUPTED OUR POWER, MADE HIMSELF RULER OF VENUS, AND STOLEN THE GIANT RUBY AND SAPPHIRE FROM WHICH WE INTENDED TO HAVE OUR THRONES CARVED - WE MADE OUR WAY SECRETLY INTO THE PALACE, AND LEAVING OUR FOLLOWERS BELOW IN THE GREAT GENERATOR ROOM, SCOUTED ABOVE, HOPING FOR A CHANCE TO POLICE ON YEDDO UNAWARES - BUT -

VENUSIAN UPRISING





25th CENTURY A.D.

★BUCK ROGERS★

ALURA AND I WERE IN THE PALACE, PRISONERS, OF YEDDO, THE MARTIAN, WHO HAD USURPED OUR POSITION AS RULERS OF THE PLANET VENUS - OUR VENUSIANS, IN THE ATTEMPT TO RESCUE US, ATTACKED THE PALACE AND WITH A RADIO IMPULSE, BLEW UP THE GENERATORS BENEATH IT.



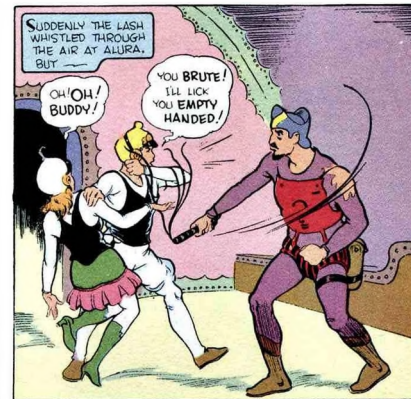


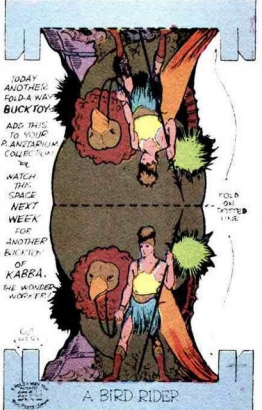
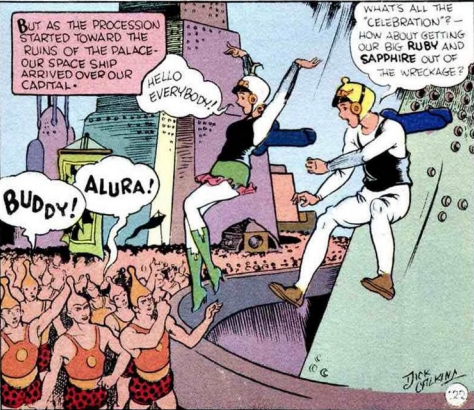
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★ BUCK ROGERS ★

YEDDO, A PRINCE OF MARS AND UNWORTHY UNCLE OF ALURA, HAD USURPED OUR POWER AS SUPREME MONARCHS OF VENUS BY DECEIVING THE VENUSIANS INTO BELIEVING WE HAD PERISHED - RETURNING TO VENUS WE RALLIED OUR FOLLOWERS AND OVERTHREW YEDDO. CRAFTILY HE ESCAPED AND BOARDED A MARTIAN SPACE SHIP. THEN, BY A RUSE, HE CAPTURED ALURA AND ME AND WAS NOW FLASHING BACK TO MARS.

Buddy Derrig



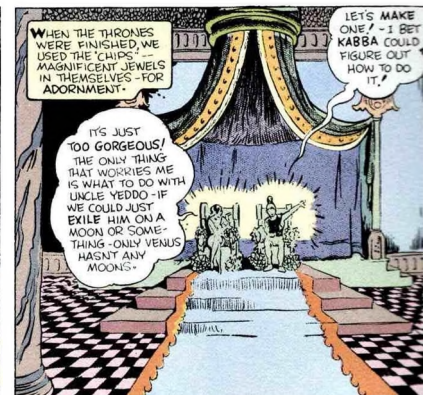


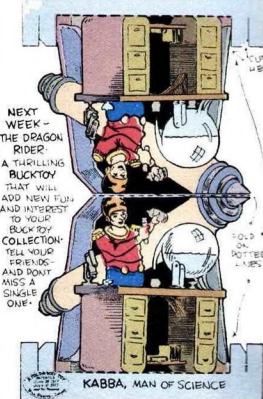
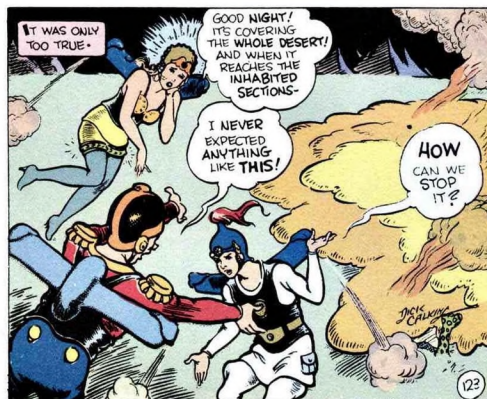
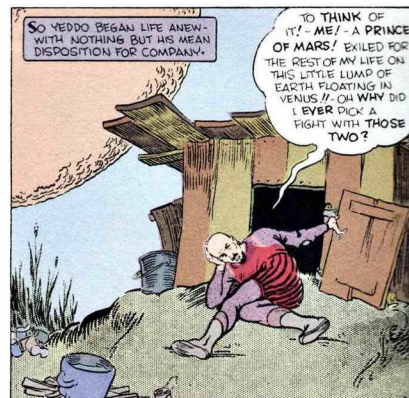
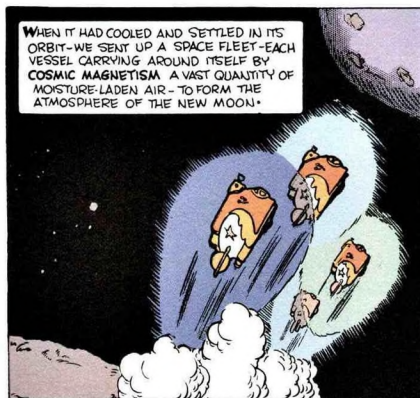
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WHEN ALURA AND I RETURNED TO THE PLANET VENUS FROM MERCURY, WE FOUND THAT HER UNCLE, YEDDO, DECEIVING OUR LOYAL VENUSIANS INTO THE BELIEF THAT WE HAD PERISHED, HAD SEIZED THE REINS OF POWER AND WAS RULING IN OUR STEAD OVER THE WHOLE PLANET—THERE ENSUED A DESPERATE STRUGGLE WHICH ENDED WHEN HIS MARTIANS REBELLED AT HIS INJUSTICE, ACKNOWLEDGING ALURA AS THEIR QUEEN—WE SENT YEDDO TO JAIL UNTIL WE COULD DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH HIM—

Buddy Deering





25th CENTURY A.D.

BUCK ROGERS

THE REIGN OF ALLURA AND MYSELF AS SUPREME MONARCHS OF THE QUIET VENUS SEEMED DESTINED TO BE JUST ONE CRISIS AFTER ANOTHER. NO SOONER WAS A GREAT DANGER OVERCOME, OR A THRILLING VICTORY WON, THAN SOME NEW PERILOUS AND AMAZING ADVENTURE WAS PRECIPITATED - WE HAD MANUFACTURED A MOON FOR VENUS BY THROWING OFF AND ORBIT A SECTION OF THE GREAT DESERT - AND NOW MOLTEN LAVA WAS POURING UP OUT OF THE DESERT - IT HAD REACHED INHABITED AREAS, AND THREATENED TO ENGULF ALL THAT SECTION OF THE GLOBE IN A FIERY FLOOD.

Buddy Deering

DESPERATE MEASURES WERE NEEDED.

OH, WHAT CAN WE DO?

MOBILIZE THE ARMY! - DISPATCH THE GIANTS TO THE SCENE AT ONCE! GET THE DISINTEGRATOR BATTERIES INTO ACTION!

AT ONCE, YOUR MAJESTY!

AS CAREFULLY AS THEY COULD, THE GIANTS CARRIED COTTAGES - AND WHOLE VILLAGES - BACK FROM THE SLOWLY ADVANCING FLOOD OF FLAMING LAVA.

BATTERY AFTER BATTERY OF DISINTEGRATORS WENT INTO ACTION, BLASTING THE LAVA INTO NOTHINGNESS!

BUT WE WOULD HAVE NEEDED A MILLION DISINTEGRATORS.

IT'S COMING FASTER THAN WE CAN DESTROY IT!

IT'S GOT US LOCKED! MOVE THE MACHINE BACK AGAIN!

